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Title: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR TRACKING CONDITIONS IN AN ASSAY

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**

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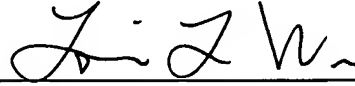
In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated February 4, 2002, transmitted herewith for filing are the following documents:

1. a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
2. a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney signed by the inventors;
3. a Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status;
4. a Blanket Petition for Extension of Time and Authorization to Charge or Credit Deposit Account;
5. an Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 CFR § 1.97, Form PTO-1449, and copies of cited references BA-BC; and
6. A check in the amount of \$1,035 to cover the required fees (surcharge, \$65; statutory basic filing fee, \$370; additional claim fees, \$558; additional independent claim fee, \$42).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-0580. **A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.**

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 370 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$600.
  - \$558 for 62 total claims over 20.
  - \$42 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1035.

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